SUPPLEMENTAL AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.111 AND STATEMENT OF SUBSTANCE OF THE INTERVIEW

U.S. Appln. No. 09/236,897

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## **REMARKS**

Claims 5, 6, 8, 9, and 13-38 are all the claims pending in the Application. This Supplemental Amendment assumes entry of the Amendment under 37 C.F.R. § 1.111 filed on March 16, 2006. By this Amendment, Applicant adds claim 39. Claim 39 is clearly supported throughout the specification *e.g.*, pages 32-33 of the specification.

## Statement of Substance of the Interview

Applicant thanks the Examiner for the courteous in person interview on March 22, 2006. An Examiner's Interview Summary Record (PTO-413) was given to Applicant's Representative after the Interview. The PTO-413 requires the Applicant to file a Statement of Substance of the Interview. The Statement of Substance of the Interview is as follows:

During the interview arguments and amendments set forth in the Amendment under 37 C.F.R. § 1.111 filed on March 16, 2006 were discussed. The Examiner appeared to agree that proposed amendments and arguments appear to overcome the rejections of record and that further search is needed. With respect to independent claim 5, however, the Examiner appeared to maintain her position set forth in the Non-Final Office Action dated December 16, 2005 and suggested to further clarify the control means that automatically maintains various temperatures.

In view of the foregoing, Applicant adds new claim 39, which depends on claim 5 and which incorporates the Examiner's proposal. Claim 39 is patentable at least by virtue of its dependency on claim 5. Moreover, as discussed during the interview, the prior art of record fails to disclose or suggest that "the temperature control means automatically determines suitable

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temperature for the respective element based on the type of the respective element detected by

the barcode reader."

Entry and consideration of this Amendment are respectfully requested.

In view of the above, reconsideration and allowance of this application are now believed to be in order, and such actions are hereby solicited. <u>If any points remain in issue, the Examiner</u>

is kindly requested to contact the undersigned attorney at the telephone number listed below.

The USPTO is directed and authorized to charge all required fees, except for the Issue

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overpayments to said Deposit Account.

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